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REF: BANGKOK 11538 (EXDIS)

1. FRANK SIEVENS (D/HA) MET WITH CASELLA OF UNHCR (REFTEL)
AND SENIOR ICRC OFFICIALS FOR DISCUSSION OF FAMILY REUNION
SITUATION FOR AMERICANS AND OTHER FOREIGN NATIONALS IN
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VIETNAM.

2. CASELLA WAS BRIEFLY IN GENEVA ON HOME LEAVE FROM HANOI,
WHERE HE EXPECTS TO RETURN IN A WEEK. HE HAS BEEN PURSUING
CASES OF VIETNAMESE DEPENDENTS OF AMCITS AND REMAINS HOPEFUL
OF SOME FORWARD MOVEMENT, ALTHOUGH HE RECOGNIZES THAT THIS,
LIKE OTHER ASPECTS OF US-VIETNAM RELATIONS, IS ULTIMATELY

A POLITICAL QUESTION FOR THE SRV.

3. ICRC IS ALSO CONTINUING ITS EFFORTS ON THIS SUBJECT, ALTHOUGH ITS REPS (DUC AND BAUMGARDNER) HAVE BEEN IN SAIGON FOR PAST TWO MONTHS ALMOST TOTALLY INVOLVED WITH ARRANGEMENTS FOR DEPARTURE OF CHINESE TO TAIWAN. PREDICTABLE PROBLEM TURNS OUT TO BE THAT AS WORD BECAME KNOWN OF ICRC DEPARTURE PROGRAM, NUMBER OF PROSPECTIVE TAIWANESE HAS ESCALATED OUT OF ALL CONTROL, SO THAT SELECTION PROCESS FOR THOSE ACTUALLY LEAVING ON ICRC CHARTERS HAS BEEN EXTREMELY DIFFICULT.

4. SIEVERTS BRIEFED UNHCR AND ICRC ON MIA AND RELATED ASPECTS OF JUNE 2-3 PARIS MEETINGS WITH SRV. BOTH ORGANIZATIONS APPEAR TO HAVE MAINTAINED CORDIAL RELATIONS WITH THE HANOI AUTHORITIES AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT USG MIGHT FIND WAY AT SOME POINT OF CONTRIBUTING TO HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS THEY PLAN TO CARRY OUT IN VIETNAM. SIEVERTS DESCRIBED EXISTING LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY CONSTRAINTS, AND HICKE OF ICRC SAID HE IS CONSIDERING VISIT TO US IN SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER TO DISCUSS THIS SUBJECT WITH CONGRESSIONAL FIGURES AS WELL AS DEPARTMENT.
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